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SUBSTITUTED POLYCYCLIC ARYL AND HETEROARYL URACILS USEFUL FOR SELECTIVE INHIBITION OF THE COAGULATION

Examiner T. Truong

May 20, 2004

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

This letter is in response to the Office action mailed on April 28, 2004, in which an election of a group of claims for prosecution on the merits was requested.

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group 6, claims 1, 2, 17-24 (in part), and 38-48 (in part), drawn to compounds as recited in claim 17 (the Office's reference to claim 9 appears to be in error based on the definition of B in the claims of Group 6).

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any under payment or credit any over payment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,

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